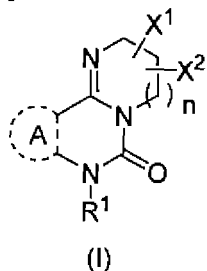


AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

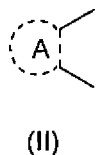
This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of claims:

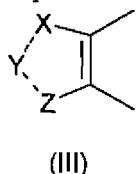
Claim 1 (currently amended): A ~~fused pyrimidine derivative~~ compound or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof represented by Formula (I):



— wherein R¹ represents a hydrogen atom, substituted or unsubstituted lower alkyl, substituted or unsubstituted aralkyl, substituted or unsubstituted aryl, or substituted or unsubstituted aromatic heterocyclic group; n represents an integer of 0 to 3; X¹ and X² may be the same or different and each represents a hydrogen atom, substituted or unsubstituted lower alkyl, substituted or unsubstituted aralkyl, substituted or unsubstituted aryl, or substituted or unsubstituted aromatic heterocyclic group; and formula (II):

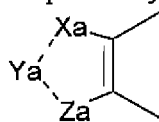


represents formula (III):



{ wherein X--Y--Z represents $R^2C=CR^3-NR^4$ (wherein R^2 , R^3 and R^4 may be the same or different and each represents a hydrogen atom, substituted or unsubstituted lower alkyl, substituted or

unsubstituted aralkyl, substituted or unsubstituted aryl, or substituted or unsubstituted aromatic heterocyclic group), $R^2C=N-NR^4$ (wherein R^2 and R^4 have the same meanings as defined above, respectively), $R^4N-CR^3=CR^2$ (wherein R^2 , R^3 and R^4 have the same meanings as defined above, respectively), or $R^4N-N=CR^2$ (wherein R^2 and R^4 have the same meanings as defined above, respectively)} or formula (IV):



(IV)

{ wherein $Xa-Ya-Za$ represents $R^2HC-NR^3-CHR^4$ (wherein R^2 , R^3 and R^4 have the same meanings as defined above, respectively), R^2HC-NR^3-NH (wherein R^2 and R^3 have the same meanings as defined above, respectively), or $NH-NR^3-CHR^4$ (wherein R^3 and R^4 have the same meanings as defined above, respectively)}.

Claim 2 (currently amended): The ~~fused pyrimidine derivative~~ compound or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof according to claim 1, wherein R^1 is substituted or unsubstituted lower alkyl.

Claim 3 (currently amended): The ~~fused pyrimidine derivative~~ compound or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof according to claim 1, wherein R^3 is substituted or unsubstituted aryl, or substituted or unsubstituted lower alkyl.

Claim 4 (currently amended): The ~~fused pyrimidine derivative~~ compound or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof according to claim 1, wherein X^1 is substituted or unsubstituted aralkyl and X^2 is a hydrogen atom.

Claim 5 (currently amended): A Pharmaceutical composition comprising the fused ~~pyrimidine-derivative~~ compound or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof according to claim 1 as an active ingredient.

Claims 6-13 (canceled).

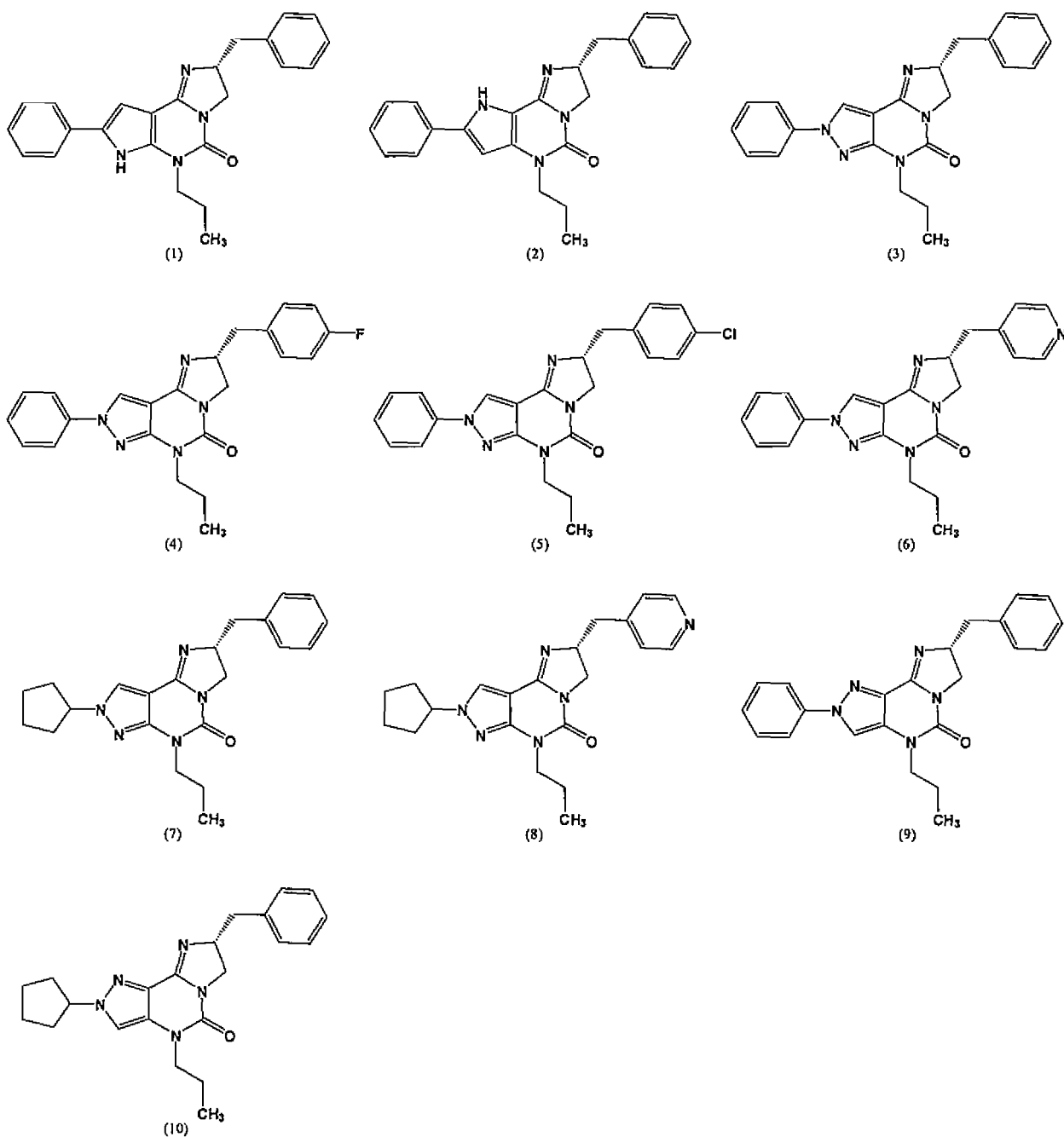
Claim 14 (currently amended): A method for treating diabetes, which comprises administering an effective amount of the ~~fused pyrimidine derivative~~ compound or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof according to claim 1.

Claim 15 (currently amended): A method for ~~preventing and/or~~ treating diabetic complications, which comprises administering an effective amount of the ~~fused pyrimidine derivative compound~~ or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof according to claim 1.

Claim 16 (currently amended): A method for lowering blood glucose levels, which comprises administering an effective amount of the ~~fused pyrimidine derivative~~ compound or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof according to claim 1.

Claim 17 (currently amended): A method for stimulating secretion of insulin, which comprises administering an effective amount of the ~~fused pyrimidine derivative~~ compound or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof according to claim 1.

Claim 18 (new): A compound represented by the formula selected from the group consisting of the following Formulas (1) to (10):



or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

Claim 19 (new): A method for treating diabetic complications, which comprises administering an effective amount of the compound or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof according to claim 18.

Claim 20 (new): A method for lowering blood glucose levels, which comprises administering an effective amount of the compound or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof according to claim 18.

Claim 21 (new): A method for stimulating secretion of insulin, which comprises administering an effective amount of the compound or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof according to claim 18.